

Alfred J. Broomhead

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Alfred J. Broomhead, son of William and Sylvia Davis Broomhead was born in Salt Lake City in 1872. His parents were called Bear Lake, Idaho. His father had two families. The first wife had seven children and Alfred's mother had four. When he was four years old his father passed away. At the age of seventeen, he moved his mother and sisters to Lehi.

He was here when the Sugar Factory was built, and helped thin the first patch of beets grown for the factory. He has since drilled 5,000 acres of beets.

He helped to install city water works, worked on the Lehi Tabernacle and Central School Building, and helped to build many homes here.

His mother and sisters moved to Provo. A large canal was being built in Idaho, so George H. Brimhall furnished Alfred a teach and out to go. He was paid \$20.00 per month and board himself; working there for ten years.

He married LaVina Thorn of Pleasant Grove August 4, 1897. They were the parents of eight children, four of whom were born at Lehi. The children are Vilate-Hans Larsen; Edna-Clifford Willes, Raymond-Reva Capson, Viola-Arthur Wellard, Harold-Francis Anderson, Spencer-June Ballard, Howard-Leila Wotten, Rulen-Alice Tolman. His wife LaVina passed away in February 1929. He has twenty-two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He is a favorite with his family, always a hard worker and of a kind unassuming, retiring, nature. He has lived with his present wife, Pearl David Broomhead, eighteen years being married in 1932. He is a High Priest with faith in the Gospel.